CHAPTER 3

The Structure of the Degree and Management

3.1 The Degree of MBBS Ruhuna - Outline of Courses of Study

Structure of the course

The Faculty of Medicine offers study courses leading to the Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery degree. Instruction in all subjects takes the form of lectures, tutorials, practical sessions, small group discussions, flipped classes or student centered learning, clinicals and ward classes. The medium of instruction is English.

The Pre-clinical course is of five terms at the end of which students sit the 2nd MBBS examination in Anatomy, Biochemistry and Physiology. This examination is held twice a year. A student may be referred in one or two of these subjects but he/she shall, in all, be allowed only four attempts at this examination. There shall be no "grace" chances.

Students commence their clinical training (which continues through the 3rd, 4th and 5th years) after they have passed the 2nd MBBS examination. A record of clinical appointments is made on the Student Record Book provided. All clinical appointments have to be completed before a student sits the Final MBBS examination. In the 3rd and 4th years, students study Paraclinical subjects as well. At the end of the 3rd year students sit the 3rd MBBS Part I examination (Microbiology and Parasitology), and at the end of the 4th year, the 3rd MBBS Part II examination (Community Medicine, Forensic Medicine, Pathology and Pharmacology). Each part of the 3rd MBBS examination is held twice each year.

A student shall complete his Final Examination within 10 years from the starting date of the MBBS course as a student of the Faculty of Medicine. All periods of exemption granted by the Senate are excluded when computing this ten (10) years after the starting date of the MBBS course as a student of the Faculty of Medicine. The Final MBBS examination is held twice a year.

Faculty of Medicine offers its degree programme without any gender discrimination in teaching, learning and assessments.

